Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 25 Dec 2024 until 23:59 on Thursday 26 Dec 2024

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 25 Dec 2024 at 01:07

Confidence: Generally high for the ongoing cloudy and mild weather, with no wintry hazards, but often poor visibility. Lower for detail of cloud cover on each day, and also for the extent of any rain or drizzle. Also low for timing of clearer conditions spreading southeast on Saturday

Headline for Wednesday 25 Dec 2024: Rather cloudy Christmas Day, with some limited light rain and drizzle.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 25 Dec 2024

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Dull	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)	Dull
Precipitation probability					
10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%

Forecast for Wednesday 25 Dec 2024

Weather: Remaining rather cloudy with some limited light rain and drizzle about, mainly on the western hills. A few brighter spells developing, most likely in the east. Some summits may have periods above the cloud tops, mainly those above 800m, but perhaps some glimpses of blue sky down to 700m.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 20%, but with very highest summits potentially above the clouds.

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud often obscuring hills above 500m, especially at first and in the southwest with the odd patch down to 400m. Overall visibility will be Moderate to Poor, rising to Good where cloud breaks develop. However cloud will thin at height with some Very Good views from above the clouds possible above 800m.

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Forecast for Wednesday 25 Dec 2024

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	15/20 W	15/20 SW	15/20 SW	13/18 W	11/15 W	9/13 SW	8/11 SW
300	8/19 W	9/19 SW	10/19 W	9/17 W	7/15 W	5/12 SW	4/10 SW
Valley	7/17 W	6/17 SW	8/18 W	8/17 W	5/14 SW	4/11 SW	4/10 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	6/2	6/2	7/3	7/3	6/3	6/3	6/3
300	8/6	8/6	10/7	9/7	8/7	8/7	8/6
Valley	9/8	9/7	10/8	10/8	9/8	8/8	8/7
Freezing Level*	2600m	2600m	2600m	2500m	2500m	2500m	2400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Skills for navigating in poor visibility will be needed for those heading up the mountains, however the low lying inversion brings the potential for the highest summits to be above the cloud at times. If this occurs, and this is only moderate confidence, wide-ranging and extensive views are likely. It will be feeling noticeably cooler than in the mild valleys.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Wed 25 Dec 2024	0.4mm	1mm	7mm

Forecast for Thursday 26 Dec 2024

Weather: Little change at first on Boxing day, with many hills shrouded in cloud and the best of the brighter spells in the east. Cloud soon thickening however, with all summits likely obscured by late morning, and more persistent and widespread drizzle spreads north and east.

Maximum wind: Southwest 15mph gusting 20-25mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 30% in west, 50% in east, but falling to 10% by midday.

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud obscuring some hills above 500m at first with clear spells in the east. However, cloud thickening and becoming extensive during the afternoon with some patches down to 400m. Moderate to Good visibility at first, but becoming Poor to Very Poor in any afternoon drizzle and as cloud thickens on the summits.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 6 Celsius rising to Plus 12 Celsius
At 600m: Plus 6 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits

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